(b) if so, the details thereof including the suggested changes which it intends to bring in the current plan model;

(c) whether the new plan process has been discussed thread bare by Government/economists and others before it is implemented; and

(d) if so, whether there is any difference of opinion on it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (d) Deputy Chairman. Planning Commission held a meeting with some Senior Economists of the country on 23rd May. 1994 to discuss the role and shape of planning in the context of economic reforms in the country. This meeting was a part of an ongoing process of wider consultation on issues pertaining to development and planning. This meeting endorsed the need for and relevance of planning in the context of changing economic scenario.

Committee for boosting employment

869. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that committee was appointed recently to go into the question of boosting employment of educated unemployed youths:

(b) if so, whether that Committee has submitted its report and if so when and what are the recommendations made by it;

(c) the action taken by Government on the recommendation;

(d) if no action has yet been taken, the reasons for the delay; and

(e) the steps taken to expedite the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a)) to (e) The Committee on Boosting Employment for the Educated Unemployed submitted its Report in September, 1992. As the Report is under consideration of the Government, it is not possible to provide any details about the recommendations of the Committee.

Evaluation of Jawahar Rojgar Yojna in five States by O.R.G. Baroda

861. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Operation Research Group, Baroda, was to evalute the working of the Jawahar Rozgar Yojna in five States;

(b) whether this Group has since submitted its report;

(c) if so, what are the findings of this Group; and

(d) what modifications are proposed to be made in the concept of the Scheme and its implementation machinery, in the light of the findings suggestions of the Group?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir. However, the Ministry of Rural Development has undertaken a concurrent evaluation of JRY (May 1993 to June 1994) conducted by several research institutions throughout the country. The Operation Research Group. Baroda has also been associated with this evaluation study but only in six districts of Gujarat and one district of Dadra & Nagar Haveli.